BLACKSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT News Release

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SUBJECT: Hit and Run

Blacksburg police are investigating a hit and run crash that injured a pedestrian and destroyed a sign earlier today.

Police were called to the 100 block of Draper Road today, March 16, 2006, at approximately 1:55 p.m. after a pedestrian had been hit by a car.

The initial investigation revealed that the car, a 1998 Honda 2 door sedan, had pulled out of a nearby parking lot and proceeded north on Draper Road. The driver then, for no apparent reason, veered off the roadway to the right and struck a pedestrian on the sidewalk before hitting a sign and sign post. The driver then turned East on Roanoke Street and fled without stopping.

The pedestrian, a 23-year-old Virginia Tech student, was treated at the scene by Blacksburg Rescue personnel for arm injuries and released. The victim and several witnesses were able to provide accurate data to the police about the car that was involved. Minutes later Blacksburg Police officers located the car in the 100 block of Hampton Court. The registered owner of the car was not in the area and attempts to contact her were unsuccessful. Police seized the car and charges are pending driver identification.